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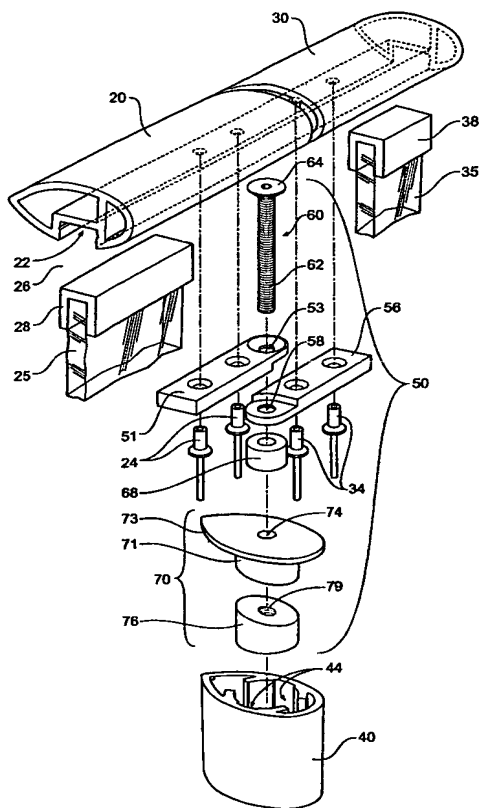
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(54) Title: HANDRAIL OR TOP RAIL, POST AND PANEL ASSEMBLY AND CONNECTOR THEREFOR



(57) Abstract: A rail and supported panel assembly (10) is disclosed. The assembly comprises: first and second rail portions (20 & 30), each portion having a constant cross section, the cross section defining an elongate recessed channel (22) on an underside; a panel (25) supported at a top edge thereof within the recessed channel (22) of either one of the rail portions; a post (40) for supporting the rail portions (20 & 30); and a rail-to-post connection assembly (50) located between the post and the rails (20 & 30). The connection assembly (50) has: a pair of partially overlapping arms (51 & 56), each arm fitting wholly or substantially within a respective recessed channel (22), wherein the arms are movable with respect to each other about the pivot to accommodate a range of first and second rail portion alignment angles.

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